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Twenty years ago the rapidly expanding beet sugar industry threatened the very extinction of the tropical sugar cane. Developed and maintained by the best scientific talent of Germany and France, the beet sugar industry grew into enormous proportions and lowered the price of sugar to such a degree as to seriously paralyze and practically destroy many sugar cane plantations throughout the world. The latter industry was content with the primitive methods of cultivation and manufacture, relying solely upon tropical fertility to overcome human ignorance and careless work. But an awakening took place. It was decided that science, which had done so much for the beet industry, should also assist sugar cane. It was